

AUSTIN TELLS WHY HE KILLED DAVIS

Claims He Carried Gun For
His Own Protection

HELD WITHOUT BAIL

Alleges That Davis Had Alienated His
Wife's Affections and Brought
About Separation.

Manassas, Va., May 6.—Karl J. Austin, the cripple who shot and killed J. R. B. Davis on the main street of Manassas Monday night, was given a preliminary hearing yesterday before Justice S. M. Haislip, and was committed to the county jail, without bail, to await the action of the grand jury.

The bitter feeling existing between Austin and Davis, which brought on the action, had its beginning almost a year ago, when, Austin claims, Davis alienated the affections of his wife, wrecked his home and caused a separation of himself and wife. Mrs. Austin went to Washington and made her home with her sister, secured employment and has supported herself and baby since that time. She has upon numerous occasions asked to return to her home, but Austin forbade her doing so, fearing a renewal of the alleged relationship between her and Davis.

He had, however, visited his wife in Washington Sunday and almost reached a reconciliation and, according to his statement, approached Davis, Monday night, on the question of leaving Manassas, which Davis had previously agreed to do.

This brought on the quarrel which ended in the murder, it is claimed. Austin yesterday received a letter from his wife, pleading to be permitted to come to him and render what comfort she is able to give, and assured him she will stand by him. He gave his consent for her to come, and she is expected to arrive today.

Austin was married to Miss Virginia Williams, who lived with her mother on a farm near Manassas, October 1, 1913. Early in their married life they took into their home a little girl, Christine, from the Children's Aid Society at Baltimore, but after the home was broken up, the child was sent back to the society.

When asked if he cared to make a statement for publication, Austin hesitated, then said:

"I dislike to discuss the affair in detail because of my wife, but I suppose it must come out. To begin with, he alienated my wife. She was true to me until she met Bailey Davis.

"Then the smash came and Mrs. Austin went to Washington where she has worked and supported herself and baby since. She has been a good woman since our separation, although Bailey has made attempts to see her."

Asked what precipitated the quarrel Monday night, Austin continued his statement by saying, "Bailey had promised me that he would sell out and leave Manassas, and when I heard a short time ago that he contemplated buying property and remaining, I decided to speak to him. When I met him Monday night, I asked him what his plans for the future were and he seemed to get mad and answered, 'What do you mean, I don't understand you.'"

"I reminded him of his promise to leave town, and he began to curse and abuse me, and said that if I did not like it here I could get out. He was very angry and said that I told him that I would secure a divorce from my wife."

"I told him that was none of his affair. He seemed to lose his head completely and called me a vile and vicious name and started toward me in a threatening attitude and was right on me when I drew my revolver and fired."

"I realized, in my condition, I could neither fight nor run, and I thought that I should not have to take a beating. There is one thing I want distinctly understood, and that is, I did not carry a revolver for Bailey. I have carried one ever since my father, died several years ago, for my own protection."

"In my crippled condition I frequently had to call upon someone to lift me either onto or off the sidewalk. Sometimes strangers; and as I some-

PIEDMONT CONVOCATION

Held in Norton Memorial of St. Paul's Church Yesterday

The fourth annual auxiliary day to the Piedmont Convocation was held yesterday, beginning at 10 a. m., with Holy Communion in St. Paul's Church, administered by the rector, the Rev. Dr. P. P. Phillips, assisted by the Rev. Edgar Carpenter, rector of Grace Church.

The business sessions were held in the Norton Memorial and the address of welcome was made by Dr. Phillips, also few remarks of greeting by the president of the St. Paul's branch, Mrs. M. W. O'Brien.

The sessions were presided over by Miss Louisa Davis, convocation president, and the program as previously announced was carried out. Mrs. Wallace E. Rollins, the Convocation secretary, kept the minutes. An interesting talk on the women of China was made by Mrs. B. L. Ansell, of Yang Chow, China, followed by an address by Miss Sallie Deane, of Richmond.

After a noon day prayer by Dr. Phillips luncheon was served in the parish hall, and a most delightful social half hour was spent.

The conference reassembled at 1.45 p. m., and Miss Elizabeth Winegar, of the Green County Mission House gave a talk on the Virginia Mountains, followed by a strong appeal by the Rev. B. L. Ansell, D. D., of Yang Chow, China, for work in China.

The meeting adjourned at 4 o'clock after accepting an invitation to meet in Grace Church, this city, next year.

Prepare For Regatta

Old Dominion Boat Club Elects 12
New Members—Now Has 125
Active Members

The monthly meeting of the Old Dominion Boat Club was held last night. A large number of members were present.

The committee on the selecting of a photograph reported and they were authorized to purchase an instrument, but with the recommendation to investigate the merits of certain other instruments before making purchase.

A contract was entered into with the John B. Rogers Producing Company to put on a Musical Comedy for the Club at sometime in October, this year.

The following were admitted to membership in the club:

Wm. A. Clark, 1228 Prince St.; Frank K. Davis, 206 South St. Asaph St.; Francis H. Fannon, Geo. Wash. Park; H. J. Fannon, Geo. Wash. Park; Louis F. Hoy, 413 N. Washington St.; R. L. Jamison, Duke Street, extended; Frank G. Lambden, 704 Duke St.; Thomas O. Nelson, 114 S. Patrick St.; Hollis J. Nugent, 218 N. St. Asaph St.; Chas. W. Schreiner, Del Ray; Elman S. Wheeler, 614 N. Washington St.; Vincent H. Young, 2024 King Street.

In addition to these Miss Lillian J. Stubbs and Miss M. Alma Ricker, were elected to membership in the Ladies Auxiliary.

J. S. Douglas, Jr., was appointed chairman of the Local Committee on regatta, and a meeting of all of the officers and board of governors of the club will be held at the club house at 10.30 a. m. next Sunday, after which the different committees will be announced.

The club now has one hundred and twenty-eight (128) active members, the largest number in the history of the club.

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FINAL NOTICE

All persons, firms or corporations who have not secured their state licenses to transact business or practice a profession by 4 p. m. Saturday May 8th will be summoned before the local Board of Review to show cause why the fine prescribed by law should not be imposed. By order of Local Board of Review.

E. E. LAWLER, Chairman.

times carried sums of money with me, I felt that I needed the gun for protection. Aside from the threatened bodily harm to myself, Mrs. Austin is still my wife and I think I had a right to protect her."

DELEGATES CHOSEN BY DEMOCRATS

Twenty-two Will Go to
Roanoke With Fractional
Vote

CONVENTION MAY 19th

Primary Called Off—City Has Ten
Votes—Delegates to Organize Monday
Night at McBurney's Hall.

The city of Alexandria will be represented at the state democratic convention in Roanoke May 19 by 22 delegates and they will have a total of ten votes.

The foregoing number of delegates presented their names to the city democratic committee at a meeting of the committee held last night at the office of Howard W. Smith, 109 North Fairfax street which was presided over by Charles Bendheim, chairman of the city democratic committee.

After all of the names had been presented to the committee Mr. Smith moved that the nominations be closed and this was adopted and afterward he moved that the nominees be declared elected and this was adopted. It was then decided not to hold a primary.

Afterward 22 candidates were given \$10 each which they had deposited with the committee to bear the expense incident to conducting a primary.

In the convention at Roanoke, Alexandria will be entitled to ten votes, this being based on the vote cast in the last presidential election.

The candidates who presented their names follow: Robert F. Downham, R. T. Cook, Claude W. Fletcher, John N. Lawler, J. R. Zimmerman, Jr., J. W. Collins, James R. Caton, James R. Caton, Jr., Charles C. Carlin, Judge Louis C. Barley, Gardner L. Boothe, Frederick P. Russell, W. E. Ennis, Maurice R. Wilkins, Capt. George H. Evans, F. G. Duval, J. Fred Birrell, Elmer L. Spittle, Capt. W. H. Sweeney, Howard W. Smith, W. P. Woolls, C. Keith Carlin.

The delegates were empowered to name their own alternates.

A resolution was adopted that the delegates meet next Monday night at McBurney's Hall for the purpose of organizing.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The following is the monthly report for April, 1920, of the activities of the Health Department:

Report of Health Officer—No. of inspections, restaurants, 37; meat markets, 24; grocery stores, 19; fish markets, 21; soft drink est., 29; ice cream and bakeries, 17; barber shops, 12; restaurants, 23; permits granted, 2; yards and buildings inspected, 34; medical examinations, 8; medical examinations for suspected contagious diseases, 12; samples of food examined, 18; inspections moving picture houses, 23; general complaints investigated, 29; public addresses delivered, 1; articles on health and sanitation published, 2.

Report of Assistant Health Officer—No. of complaints investigated, 124; nuisances abated, 95; sewer connections, 35; notices to connect to sewer, 136; can type privies installed, 17; notices to install can type privies, 18; notices to clean alleys and gutters, 11; privy wells closed, 21; dairies inspected, 24; meat inspections, 12; pounds condemned, 950; can type privies removed and replaced by sewer connections, 9; notice to abate nuisances, 93. Report of Public Health Nurse—No. of new patients, 9; investigation visits, 33; nursing visits, 83; smallpox vaccinations, 8; rooms fumigated, 2; cultures for diphtheria, 1; night clinics, 5; afternoon, 9; classes at high school, 9.

Report of Bacteriologist—Examinations of city city, 29; examinations of private supply, 5; milk bacterial, 19 milk butter fat, 22; widals for typhoid fever, 6. Included in the report is the work done by the clinic.

LOUIS E. FOULKS, M. D., Health Officer.

FORD OWNERS—
OUR MOTTO—If it is done at Remschel's, it must be done right. 73-74.

ALL READY FOR DOLLAR DAY SALE

Biggest Sale Day of the Year
is Scheduled For Next
Wednesday, May 12

MERCHANTS ENTHUSE

Shoppers Will Find Bigger and Better
Bargains Than Have Ever Before
Been Offered

The greatest bargain feast of the year, Dollar Day, is slated to put in its second appearance of 1920 next Wednesday, when the many stores of the city will make special efforts to entertain the Dollar Shoppers and a bigger and better sale than was ever held before in Alexandria is promised.

Realizing the value of these Dollar Sales, the merchants of the city, at the last regular meeting of the Retail Merchants Bureau of the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce voted in favor of four such sales every year. The second Wednesday in May, or May 12 was decided upon and next Wednesday is the day.

Dollar Day Sales were inaugurated last August and celebrity with which the shopping public of Alexandria entered into the spirit of the occasion surprised even the most skeptical of local merchants. The second sale was held in February, 1920, and the success was even greater than experienced the six months previous.

Four Dollar Day sales are slated to be held this year, February, May, August and November and prospects are that each sale will show a greater percentage of business done than previous sales.

The Dollar Bargain is hard to find at the present market prices of merchandise, but every merchant of the city is endeavoring to find at least a few such bargains for this big day.

Don't forget the date, Wednesday, May 12 and be on hand bright and early when the stores open for business on that day.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PARENTS

Will be Entertained Tomorrow Night
at St. Paul's

The teachers and superintendent of St. Paul's Church Sunday School will entertain the parents of the scholars of that school, at what will be known as "Parents Meeting," in the Sunday School building tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock. There will be music, refreshments and an interesting address on the subject of "The Parents Co-Operation With the Teacher," by Rev. Dr. Kennedy, of the Theological Seminary.

The parents of St. Paul's Sunday School scholars and other adult members of St. Paul's Church who are interested in Sunday School work are cordially invited and urged to be present at this meeting.

THE BARACA CLASS SAYS

Let every mother's son go to the Church of his choice Sunday, May 9; Its Mothers Day, fellows; Lets go? "CURT BAR"

109-3p Baraca Press Agent.

CANTON—ATTENTION!

Members of Canton Alexandria No. 1, are requested to meet in Odd Fellows' Hall at 8 o'clock tonight for rehearsal of degree of chivalry which they have been selected to confer at Lynchburg, May 10. By order to G. Raymond Gaines, 109-1c. Captain.

POTOMAC FISH COMPANY

Will have on sale tomorrow and balance of week; buck and roe chad, fresh herring, Jersey trout, flounders, large white perch, Boston mackerel, steak tile, clams and oysters. Phone 198. C. H. ZIMMERMAN, Proprietor. 109-1p.

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MOORE ATTACKS SOLDIERS' BONUS

Says Relief Plan is Unfair
to People at This
Time

OPPOSITION GROWING

Strongest Advocates Doubt Passage
of Measure Now, And Are Called
"Political Profiteers"

Opposition to any form of soldier relief broke out with unexpected strength during general debates in the House yesterday. Indications are that as a result of the flood of protests against increased taxation, the opponents of the bonus are gaining in numbers rapidly every day.

Representatives Ackerman (Rep.), of New Jersey; Sisson (Dem.), of Mississippi, and Moore (Dem.), of Virginia, came out with bitter attacks against any bonus at this time. All pointed out that serious consequences to the country might arise. Representative Wood (Rep.), of Indiana, strongly opposed the land settlement features of the measure recently given tentative approval by the ways and means committee, declaring that it was nothing more than an attempt to put over a huge reclamation project under the guise of soldier relief.

At present, no one is pressing action on the bonus question, and it is probable that the revised bill may not be reported before the recess for the political conventions. Some of the strongest bonus advocates now are beginning to doubt if any bill can be passed.

Mr. Moore in his speech attacked those advocating the bonus for political advantage as "political profiteers."

"I see nothing in the measure to commend it, and I cannot give it my support," he said. "Believing it to be against the public interest—the exercise public, but primarily the exercise men—if I were to support the measure to gain some personal advantage or keep silence for that purpose, I would be nothing more than a political profiteer."

"If this measure should be adopted no member of this House, whether leader or follower, should ever stand here again and advocate economy and reduction of taxes. The leader of the majority will be estopped to do so, and the estoppel will apply to all of us. We will only be able to claim feebly that we are for such a policy when it happens to be along the line of least resistance."

DREADNAUGHTS ENTERTAIN

The Dreadnaught A. S. wrestling and boxing teams entertained the Fraternal Order of Eagles of Alexandria last night in a very interesting manner after the Eagles annual election of officers.

The Dreadnaughts extend their thanks through this paper to the Eagles Lodge for their fine entertainment after the Athletic show. Such organizations as the Eagles are a great credit to Athletics in Alexandria and with the backing of such a fine body of men we are sure to succeed in Athletic endeavors.

The Dreadnaughts are open to give athletics entertainments to all organizations, as our wrestlers and boxers are now in fine condition after three weeks of hard training. Baseball practice will be held Friday at 5:30 p. m. All players are requested to be out as a game will be played Saturday and Sunday.

BARACA NOTICE

Every Baraca is earnestly requested to be present at the Curtin Memorial Baraca Class, Sunday, May 9th. It's Mother's Day, fellows. Let's go. The class will attend church services in a body immediately after class benediction.

Curtbar: Baraca Press Agent. 109-3p.

You get a \$6.00 Mallory hat Free with every suit purchased during the first 10 days in May.

DOWNHAM & RIDGELY

King and Pitt Streets 107-5c

SALVATION ARMY RALLY

Street Services Tonight Followed by
Exercises at its Hall
The Salvation Army will have five

specials tonight at their hall at 106 South Fairfax street. Ensign Marion Fryharger and Capt. Irene McCann officers in charge of Washington, D. C., No. 3 Corps, assisted by Miss Benfield, of Pittston, Pa., and Envoy Larnereaux, of Lancaster, also Rev. Dr. E. B. Jackson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, who will deliver the address.

Miss Benfield is known as the blind evangelist, she is totally blind, also Envoy Larnereaux. Both ladies are noted musicians.

Great open air rally King and Royal streets, at 7:15 p. m., conducted by the lady visitors. Every one welcome. Come one, come all. "A Man May be Down, But He is Never Out."

MRS. R. LEE FIELD DIES

Mrs. Allie Hamilton Field, a well known resident, wife of R. Lee Field, died shortly after 2 o'clock this morning at her residence, 316 Duke street. The deceased had been ill but a week. Mrs. Field besides her husband is survived by two sisters and a brother. Mrs. Charles Mander, Mrs. John Cora and Frank M. Hamilton. Mrs. Field was an active member of the Second Presbyterian Church. The arrangements for the funeral have not been completed.

DR. BLAIR BUY HOSPITAL

Sale of Hygeia Hospital in Richmond by Dr. J. Allison Hedges to Dr. J. R. Blair is announced. The institution is housed in the old Langhorne home at Adams and Grace streets where the famous sisters of that name spent their girlhood days.

COLLEGE DAY MAY 16

Public Schools Requested to Observe
With Exercises

Public schools here have been requested to observe May 14, which has been designated "Prepare for College Day" in Virginia and in the sister states comprising the Fifth Federal Reserve District. During chapel exercises, or at other specified periods that day, it is suggested that addresses be made in the high schools by leading business men and prominent educators, and in the elementary schools by the teachers. The purposes of the observance, it is explained, are to stress the importance of a college education and to offer suggestive methods whereby the pupils, and their parents, may plan ahead with a college course definitely in view.

OFF TO CONVENTION

Delegation of T. P. A. Leave For
Lynchburg.

A large number of delegates and alternates from Post F. Travelers Protective Association left this afternoon for Lynchburg to attend the annual state convention of the Travelers Protective Association which will convene tomorrow and end its sessions Friday.

The delegates chosen by the local post follow: J. William May, John H. Trimyer, Ames Cliff, Llewellyn Dyson, Harvey Henshaw, C. C. Lamond, Alfred Thomson, H. D. Kirk, A. D. Brockett, T. A. Sommers, M. E. Greene, W. W. Ballenger, R. E. Knight, Robert S. Jones, H. Noel Garner and Charles T. Nicholson.

Alternates to the convention follow: Julian Y. Williams, O. H. Kirk, Frank B. Howard, Wallace Lindsey, Hunt Rossell, R. M. Graham, Kenneth W. Ogden, R. M. Chichester, George D. Hopkins, W. A. Smoot, Harry Hammond, P. C. Crilly, Robert F. Downham and Mark W. Price.

LOST—May 4th, black dog with four white feet and white spot in breast. Answers to the name of "Pete." Reward if returned to M. E. Greene, 534 North St. Asaph Street. 108-2p.

NOTICE

All members of Local Union 1655 United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners are hereby requested to attend our initial meeting in our new hall, corner Royal and Prince streets, Thursday, May 6th, at 7:30 p. m. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of a short business meeting. P. R. Fones, Sec. L. U. No. 1655. 107-2t.

HAPPENINGS ABOUT CITY TOLD IN BRIEF

Messrs. David Hulfish and R. S. Luckett are at Hot Springs, Va.

Harry St. George Tucker was in the city today, the guest of Dr. Llewellyn Powell.

A marriage license was issued in Washington yesterday to Richard M. Roy and Pearl Coleman, both of Alexandria.

The regular weekly prayer meeting will be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon in the Anne Lee Memorial Home for the Aged.

The second degree of the order will be conferred on a class of candidates tomorrow night by Potomac Lodge of Odd Fellows.

There will be a semi formal dance given in the Elks' Hall, Friday, May 31st, at 8:30 o'clock, benefit of Alexandria Torpedo Station baseball team.

Captain Benjamin Posey, a well known waterman of this city, was paralyzed a few days ago, and is now in a hospital in Washington.

The degree team of Canton Alexandria No. 1, Odd Fellows, will hold a rehearsal tonight for the degree of chivalry. This team will confer that degree in Lynchburg May 10.

Mrs. M. C. C. Peyton has as her guests at her home in the Wagar. Mrs. Thomas J. Peyton, of Rapidan, Va., and Mr. Charles W. Jolly, of Harrisville, R. I.

Rev. J. W. Tamblin, of Beach Lake, Pennsylvania, a former pastor will preach at the Free Methodist Church tonight at 7:30. He will be very glad to meet his old friends at the service. All are invited to attend.

Little Miss Elizabeth Nicholson and Master Charles Nicholson entertained about 45 of their young friends at a delightful party yesterday afternoon at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Nicholson, on Braddock Heights.

Mrs. Horace B. Ramey has returned from a visit to her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Washburn DeMotte in New Rochelle, N. Y., accompanied by Mrs. DeMotte and Master Lawrence Washburn DeMotte, Jr.

News of Potomac

Items of General and Personal Interest From Neighboring Town.

Mrs. Harris who spent the winter with her son in Pennsylvania, is now back with her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Varney, La Verne Avenue, St. Elme. Mrs. Harris was accompanied by her daughter-in-law, who is also the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Varney.

Miss Mildred Caylor, of Washington, is visiting her brother and sister, Dr. and Mrs. Claud Caylor, on Belmont Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Fulton have bought the two story house from Edward McDonald, on Windsor Avenue.

Quite a number of folks in this vicinity are ploughing and planting the small garden spots in their back or side lots. Hope all who have small plots will fall in line with these and help reduce the high cost of living.

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NOTICE

The business of which I have been sole owner for the past 30 years has been succeeded by the new firm of Thomas J. Fannon and Sons. As a consequence must request of my patrons a prompt settlement of their existing accounts. All persons to whom I am indebted will favor me by kindly rendering their statements. Thanking in advance for such cooperation on the part of those indebted to me, I remain, Very respectfully, THOMAS J. FANNON 108-7t